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HOT NEWS? CALL THE DX BULLETIN: 203-871-6251; LEAVE A MESSAGE!

PROPAGATION FORECAST: Oct. 20, Above Normal; Oct. 21, Above/High Normal; Oct. 22-27, High Normal; Oct. 28, Above Normal; Oct. 29, High Normal; Oct. 30, High/Low Normal; Oct. 31, Low Normal; Nov. 1, Low Normal. TNX N4XX.

SOUTH SHETLANDS: CE9AH, CE9AF and CE9AL continue active according to the following approximate schedule:

14200-205,	1000-1100Z	14270,	2100Z
7004,	1000Z	14022,	1045Z
21011,	2130Z	28550,	1600Z

Send QSL to the Chilean bureau with SAE and IRCs, mail in a plain envelope with just the operator's name and the bureau address.

YASME Lloyd and Iris Colvin, W6KG and W6QL are now active /SV9 from Crete; they will probably be there for about a month total, through the end of October, and expect to hear them during the CQ Phone Contest next weekend. Their next stop is probably /SV5 Dodecanese, then Israel.

TURKEY: Our words on Turkey in Issue 58 turned out to be prophetic; TA1MB has advised his QSL manager, K2UO, that all Turkish hams are now off the air, and all incoming and outgoing mail is being checked. Therefore, DO NOT send anything to any TA station as it will place him in a potentially dangerous situation. Logs for TA1MB cannot now be sent out of the country to K2UO, so please be patient if you are awaiting a QSL from TA1MB.

LEICHTENSTEIN: DJ9ZB will open signing HB0BOE Oct. 24 and through the CQ Phone contest weekend, using a TS120S, external VFO (loaned by Kenwood) and a Wilson beam donated by W4GSM. Usual DXing frequencies and QSL to DJ9ZB, Franz Langer, Carl-Kistner Strabe 19, D-7800 Freiburg I. Br., West Germany.

MACQUARIE: VK0KH finished his tour of duty Oct. 15. VK0SJ has been heard, but is probably just part of a transition team and will not remain. The new team stationed on Macquarie will not have any licensed amateurs.

VP2KAQ from St. Kitts by N0TG and W0CZE racked up 4200 contacts in about ten days in September, including many, many Europeans and Japanese. On the return flight to Miami they ran into Dave Gardner, K6LPL, making his way home from FG0FIS/FS7.

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On October 4, Herb Schoenbohm, KV4FZ, worked countries number 32-35 on 6 Meters, including Liberia, Dominican Republic, Japan and Curacao. Herb says he was beaming Southwest to work the JAs, and they were beaming toward South America...at the same time band conditions were not much good for North-South T/E to the States, but the JA stations appeared out of nowhere and lasted about ten minutes. Herb has now completed WAC on 160 through 6 Meters, plus both 2 Meters and 432 MHz via Oscar!

PAØGMM's Pacific operations in this week's Calendar begin October 23, with stops at Tahiti FØØ, So. Cooks ZK1, Niue ZK2, W. Samoa 5W1, Fijis 3D2, Tonga A35, American Samoa KH8. Says frequencies to watch will be: 14200, 21300, 28600. QSL with IRCs or other to PAØGMM, G.M.M. Van den Berg, Tweeboomlaan 117, 1624 EC Hoorn, Netherlands.

New Club Officers:

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(Iowa)

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ADØF
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W9RF
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Enclosed with this issue is a CQ Worldwide Contest form, both log sheet and summary, suitable for reproduction. We know from experience, firsthand, that those who process the contest entries much prefer the official forms to homemade ones. This is especially important in the case of the CQ Contest, where the log processing is done entirely by volunteers. Thanks to the crew down at CQ for sending the forms so we could forward them to you.

Out of Africa, the following may be of interest: 9X5MH has been active recently on 21250 and 21300 anytime after 1800Z; Hans is a German but has been in Africa for over a decade...the Afirkaaner Net on 21355 at 1800Z or thereabouts is back in full swing and has hosted some choice countries lately, including Cyprus...K5LBU/STØ shows almost daily with DK2CC on 28750 at 1200Z...TJ1CK has been around 15 SSB at various times.

Transkei is not being counted as a country by DXCC, but interest in it continues to run high; their postmaster has announced a new system of allocating callsigns, with fully licensed amateurs using the S83 prefix, limited license amateurs using S84 only on 2 Meters and above.

Botswana now has an incoming QSL bureau: BARS QSL Bureau, Box 1873, Gaborone, Botswana. Botswana began holding their first examinations for a novice-type license in August. Although A22GTF was worked on the bands, the occasion it commemorated, the Gaborone Trade Fair, was cancelled due to the sudden death of Sir Seretse Kahma, the President of Botswana. On Sept. 20, a school science fair was held in the capital city and two ARRL films were shown: Ham's Wide World and Moving up to Amateur Radio. There is now a reciprocal licensing agreement between Botswana and the U.S.

UA1OSM and one of our readers in the state of Washington did a little mutual back-scratching, QSL-wise, and the result was two cards for Serge and a UA1PAL QSL direct. The following was related concerning the Box 88 system: "(We) can only mail our filled out cards through Moscow Box 88, all other ways being illegal. the Central Radio Club permits envelopes only, open, with no stamps. No private addresses or post boxes may be used on the envelopes. Any enclosures you send to Box 88 with your QSLs are confiscated: stamps, IRCs, any printed ham matter." This boils down to: Russian hams can send blank cards out direct, but filled-out cards only through Box 88 outgoing.-Ed.

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BANDPASS: Call/Freq./UTC (plus West, Central, East Coast report)/Day of Month

Low Bands

CM1HO/7006/01E/10	GU5DQT/3505/02E/8	HZ1AB/7005/01E/9	TI2ES/7016/01E/9
CO8HJ/7010/01E/8	GU5DQT/7006/01E/7	H44DX/3509/09E/7	UA3EAL/3504/04C/7
CX4CQ/7006/01E/8	GU5DQR/7010/04C/7	ISØMH/7002/01E/6	UK9WBY/7009/01C/5
EA9GT/3523/00E/9	HBØNL/3525/03C/7	LU7FBS/3504/09E/7	UC2AFE/7002/01E/7
EA9EO/7011/00C/9	HC5CN/7017/10E/10	LX1RR/7010/01E/9	UP2BAS/3506/04C/7
FG7BG/3796/04C/2	HG19HB/7012/03C/12	PY1RO/7009/01C/10	UK2GAB/7001/03C/12
FK8DD/7009/10E/6	HI3JEI/7004/01E/7	PY2SHI/7016/00C/13	UK2PCR/7001/01C/13
FP8AA/7002/09E/8	HK3YH/3505/10E/6	PY1BMK/7016/00C/13	UQ2GFM/7004/01E/7
FY7YN/7010/03C/7	HKØBKX/7007/12E/7	SV1JG/7017/04C/7	UK5IMW/7020/00C/13
	HP3FL/3797/11E/7	TI5EWL/3797/11E/7	UD6DHC/7003/23E/8
			UF6FFJ/7005/01E/8

Africa

A22FA/14230/15W/5	FH8CL/14221/03C/6	ZS3AM/14237/04C/12	UM8IE/7013/01E/9
CT3AF/28612/12C/4	SU1AL/14030/13E/9	ZS3KC/28533/18C/5	XT2AW/3646/02E/5
CT3AR/28650/17E/10	SU1AL/21028/22C/8	3B8DB/14028/12E/6	XT2AW/7084/01E/5
D4CBC/14202/04C/12	K5LBU/	3B8DI/14025/02C/9	4X4VL/3505/03E/14
D4CBC/21306/02E/4	STØ/28751/12E/3	3B8DB/14024/03W/9	5NØDOG/3504/03E/14
D4CBC/28600/22E/6	K5LBU/	3B8DA/14223/03C/10	
D68AP/28560/21E/3	STØ/28750/12C/8	3D6BS/14225/04C/10	7X2BK/28579/12C/8
EC8DP/21027/23C/6	TR8DX/21303/20W/10	5H3KS/14236/15W/11	8Q7AV/14211/12C/5
EA8QY/21287/23E/10	TR8CR/28564/13C/4	5H3PA/28505/20C/9	8Q7AV/14210/11E/11
EA9GK/14026/00C/7	TU2JJ/14202/02E/4	5NØDOG/28024/18E/13	9G1RF/14254/00E/5
EA9AQ/21016/17C/8	TU2JD/28526/11E/12	5T5NC/21025/11E/5	9G1RI/21297/23C/4
EA9HG/21019/22E/8	VQ9TT/14225/15W/5	5V7HL/21287/21E/8	9G1RF/21334/23E/10
EA9EO/28579/12C/8	VQ9RS/21294/18W/10	5V7HL/21302/20C/6	9G1RF/21334/00E/11
EA9GJ/28576/19E/12	VQ9TT/28512/18E/6	5V7HL/28589/15C/4	9X5AB/14207/04C/12
EL2AM/14283/03C/12	ZD8TC/28884/23C/6	7X4BL/14061/00C/9	9X5AB/28017/20E/6
	ZS3TL/14225/16W/11	7X4MD/28573/16W/7	9X5AB/28646/20E/10

Asia

AP2MQ/14213/01W/8	HL1WD/28550/00E/3	OD5FB/14211/04C/12	VU2WP/14020/12E/6
AP2MQ/14210/02C/9	HM1QD/28019/23E/8	TF3YH/14008/02E/10	VU2RQ/14030/01E/7
AP2MQ/14232/01C/13	HL9UB/28522/23W/9	UD6DKW/14024/03W/8	VU2BBJ/14205/12E/8
AP2ZR/28750/13E/3	HL9UB/28577/02C/10	UF6CX/14021/03W/10	VU2BBJ/14213/01C/13
A4XHI/28038/19E/10	HS1AMS/14224/11E/6	UF6FAG/14012/03C/12	VU2LQA/28750/11C/7
A7XD/14205/04C/10	HS1AMI/21299/17E/13	UG6GAT/14004/17W/5	VU2LQA/28503/13E/14
A7XD/21280/18E/6	HS1AJT/28570/00E/3	UI8OAA/28751/12E/3	YBØPG/14202/11E/6
A7XD/21280/17E/13	HS1AMS/28575/00C/10	UI8OAA/28750/13E/8	YBØADI/14226/14C/7
A9XDA/14233/03E/4	HZ1AB/14204/02C/8	UL7PDU/14021/01W/5	YBØADD/14218/12C/10
A9XDA/14240/03C/10	HZ1AB/14204/02C/9	UL7IBQ/14029/03W/8	4S7EC/14015/11E/6
DU6ON/14205/14C/7	HZ1AB/14019/03W/10	UK7GAA/14230/03C/12	4S7CF/14223/12E/8
WD4GXY/	JT1KAA/14033/02E/8	RL7PFW/28545/12E/14	4S7CF/14203/01C/13
DU2/14008/13W/7	JT1AN/28574/00E/3	UK8MAA/	5B4CX/21355/19C/8
KP4KK/	JT1AN/28575/01C/8	U8P/14013/02C/7	9M2KG/21018/23E/8
DU2/28024/22E/9	JT1AN/28577/01C/10	VS5DK/14223/10E/12	9M2GZ/28575/00C/10
EP2TY/14222/03C/10	JT1AN/28575/12E/10	VS5SS/14250/10E/12	9N1MM/14213/01C/13
HL9IS/14025/11E/8	JY5ZM/14222/04C/8	VS5RP/28010/00E/10	9V1UL/14241/12C/5
HL9KE/21290/01C/7	JY2RZ/14250/05C/10	VS6IC/28550/00E/8	9V1OI/14242/11E/12
	JY5ZM/28546/12E/6	VS6DD/28578/23C/9	9V1OI/28550/00C/11

MAIL YOUR BANDPASS REPORTS ON FRIDAY OR SATURDAY.

More...

PHONE THE HOTLINE ANYTIME.

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Europe

EA6GK/28545/15C/6
GU5DQ/14026/01C/9
HV3SJ/21298/20E/12
ISØNZA/28058/16E/7
M1C/14210/00E/7
M1C/21287/15E/5

M1B/21385/15E/6
OX3GW/14001/04W/8
OX3NB/14001/01C/13
OY1R/21005/17C/8
SVØAU/14037/03C/7
SVØAU/14003/04W/9
SVØAM/14248/03C/10

SVØAE/21356/19C/8
SVØAW/28510/15E/12
TF3YH/14003/00C/9
TF3YH/21307/19E/8
TF3GCN/21009/22C/8
XP1AB/14221/05C/10
ZB2EO/28015/18C/4

AB2FK/28566/17W/7
ZB2GR/28692/20E/10
3A2GX/14015/00C/8
3A2GX/14048/01E/8

Oceania

A35JL/21344/02E/4
A35JL/21345/02E/7
FO8FO/14214/11C/5
FK8DD/21021/22E/6
FK8DD/28020/23E/6
H44SH/14210/12E/3
H44SH/14220/13C/5

H44SH/14225/15E/11
H44CF/14220/12C/9
KC6JC/14300/11E/4
KG6JJH/14309/11E/6
KX6JM/14331/12C/5
P29KF/14252/11E/8
P29LS/14226/14C/10
T3LA/14194/03C/5

VK6IR/28503/12E/14
VK9NL/14034/11E/9
VK9NL/14214/10E/10
VK9NL/14241/12C/10
VK9NC/21009/02E/7
VK9NC/28595/00C/5
VK9NC/28011/02C/6
VK9ZG/14250/10E/5

VK9ZG/14212/12E/8
VK9ZG/14209/12E/11
YJ8BC/28519/01C/8
3D6CM/14211/09E/5
3D2CM/14221/10E/12
3D2GFJ/21036/02C/9

Elsewhere

CE3WD/14012/01E/9
CE9AL/14224/09E/5
CE9AH/21344/01E/9
CE9AH/21345/03C/9
C6ANU/14197/01C/13
C6ANI/21358/18C/7
FB8XY/14230/15W/5
FM7WU/14006/11E/6
FM7BH/14030/11E/8
FP8AA/21031/19C/7

HH2BM/14201/22C/5
HI3AMG/14007/02E/8
HKØBKX/14016/12E/6
WB9VXK/
HR1/28570/00C/9
J3AJ/14009/01E/7
KC4AAA/14212/12C/10
KC4AAA/14288/03C/12
KC4AAC/21305/00E/11
KG4KK/14202/03C/10
PAØFM/
PJ3/28501/20C/7

OA4JR/14205/04C/5
N4PW/
OA4/21028/14C/5
TG9XGV/21008/18C/5
VE8RCS/14213/12E/10
VP1FB/28512/21E/7
VP2EA/14209/02C/12
VP2KQ/21312/00E/11
VP8WA/21345/01C/5
ZF1MA/14205/21C/5
ZF1MA/14208/03C/6
ZP5NW/14034/00E/6

ZP5BX/21023/22C/7
4K1A/14020/23E/7
4U1UN/28006/22E/3
6Y5MC/14224/00E/6
K9EF/
8R1/14212/00E/6
9Y4DK/14202/23E/5

Some Notes:

FH8CL Tuesdays and Saturdays 0300, 14220 with 18KFB
VK2AGT/Lord Howe, Wednesdays, 0700, 14225
5V7HL Sundays, 2100, 21290 with N5ADC

If you paid a fee of \$20.00 or less for a license between Aug. 1, 1970 and Feb. 28, 1975 (to the FCC), you can get a refund by writing for form "Fee Refund Program Phase II," FCC, PO BOX 19209, Wash, DC 20036. You will be eligible if you got a new, renewal, or grade license, or a modification with renewal. This would NOT apply if you got a "2-letter" call sign under the old "Extra class with 25 years policy," which cost 25 bucks.

COCKEYED NOTIONS DEPARTMENT: How's your weather been? We have had guests here the past two weeks, who never seem to arrive at the right time to help with the Bulletin, but the point is extra people in the house tend to run our water well dry. It hasn't rained here in so long, we are 50 percent below normal in rainfall for the year. The neighbors tend to blame the crazy meteorological conditions on the Canadians (where our weather comes from), on the volcano, on aerosol sprays and the ozone layer, on Three Mile Island, you name it. Personally, we think it is sunspots.

Look at the peaks. The mid-50s were short on sunspots and political conditions were tranquil, or moribund, depending on your point of view. The late 50s brought social upheaval as we elected our first Catholic president. The late 60s were another sunspot peak and you know what happened to our ways of thinking at the end of that decade! Around 1974-75 the bands were dead, the sun refused to do anything, and we we gritted our teeth at the "Me Decade" with roller disco, etc. Now the bands are great but the weather has gone you-know-where and world politics are shifting faster than anyone can keep up with. Get out your copy of the Short Wave Propagation Handbook by Cohen and Jacobs and compare the peaks the past two centuries to world history...whaddya think???

Technical tips from the TDXB desk: using an external receiver with a Kenwood transceiver (specifically the TS520 but TS820 is undoubtedly the same) is a simple matter. Connect the external receiver antenna input to the TS520 XVERTER IN jack. Connect the external receiver MUTE hot wire to the XVERTER JACK pin 8, which is normally grounded, open on XMIT.

JT1AN has been saying he will not be back on 20 Meters for some time, due to antenna problems. He has been putting a terrific signal into the States around 0000Z on 28575, as has BV2A on 28530 at the same time.

5N2ODOG will be on through the end of October, then back to the regular 5N0DOG call-sign. The occasion is the 20th anniversary of independence for the F. R. of Nigeria.

A4XIH and A4XIU sked their QSL manager, G4GIR, Sats. and Suns., 1300, 21150, and Wednesdays same frequency at 1900Z. Both these stations have been on the Afirkaaner Net.

Three queries this week about DJ7SB/TJ1 QSL cards, not showing from DL6KB; any word out there? We have not received our card for 600DX yet but expect it around the end of October. No reports of G3JKI/5A cards from F6CYL yet, either. 6T1YP cards have dribbled in from the June operation by OH2BH and OH2MM; that station has been on the bands again recently with local ST2FF operating.

JY2RZ is apparently part of the Royal Family, as many have been addressing him as "Your Highness." Personally, we thought that title was reserved for the King. Some in the Colonies have difficulty addressing anyone as "Your Highness", especially if his name is George.

Here are some responses to "QSLs for Sale" in Issue 57: (actually ALL the responses)

"I think its a shoddy practice but don't know if a rule is the answer or if we should just refuse to feel compelled to contribute." -- Kansas

"I would rather have more DX information and less editorial comments."--Ohio

"Jim, the "QSLs for Sale" in Issue 57 was very FB!" -- Iowa

"I totally agree with your editorial; I would gladly chip in a \$1 or perhaps \$5 for a new country." -- Alabama

"Generally agree except for those having APO mail who still want a buck."--Iowa

"I don't mind at all making a donation." -- Nevada

"I take exception to your comments, and although I fully respect your right to your own opinions, I see no reason to receive something in my home that I so fully disagree with. Please remove my name from the mailing list." -- Mississippi

"I think it is the brusqueness in specifying "send a dollar" that makes the boys mad. I don't like it, either." --California

"When someone uses amateur radio to charge a buck for any reason, it is a flagrant violation of the intent and purpose of the amateur service. It is a question of ethics. It is the demanding of payment that is in question here." -- Colorado

"I don't believe that DXers who have invested years want to see DXpeditioning degenerate into a commercial venture...we have had 35 years of doing without this and seen some great operations." -- Georgia

"I'm with you in hoping the Pandora's Box remains closed!" -- California

"To charge for a QSL is not what amateur radio is about." -- New Jersey

"That was an outstanding editorial on QSL cards." -- California

Bill Harrison, TL8WH, is back in the Central African Republic from Tel Aviv, and has two weekly skeds with N4AXR: Sundays, 0500Z, 14340...Mondays, 2100Z, 21390. QSL W5RU.

CALENDAR

YASME	W6KG/SV9 on now; SV5 next month. This issue.
Samoa 5W1	JA7SGV group now through Oct. 23; have been active but weak. Issue 54
Congo	Was due on Oct. 15, TN8AJ; Issue 59
Guinea	Still watching per rumors Issue 58
West Carolines	KC6s ZR and YC, Oct. 17-22; Issue 58
T3 Tarawa	By JA7SGV group, Oct. 24-27
T3 Tarawa	By W9GW, Oct. 22-28; Issue 58
East Carolines	KC6s ZR and YC, Oct. 22-29; Issue 58
Leichtenstein	HBØBOE by DJ9ZB Oct. 24-28; this issue
Tuvalu T2	By JA7SGV group, Oct. 28-30
Tahiti	By PAØGMM, Oct. 23-25; this issue
Tuvalu T2	By W9GW, Oct. 29-Nov. 5; T2AAD; Issue 58
So. Cooks ZK1	By PAØGMM, Oct. 26-28; this issue
Somalia	6OØDX possible again end of October; Issue 58
Jersey	By Noviomagum DX group, Oct. 22-26; Issue 56
Sri Lanka	By N2KK, Oct. 12-30; Issue 58
Macao	CR9B by KP4KK, Oct. 23-30; Issues 52 and 58
Niue 2K2	By PAØGMM, Oct. 29-Nov. 4; this issue
Sable Island	VE1AI/1 either last weekend of Oct. or last of Nov.; Issue 56
Marshall Islands	KC6ZR/KX6 and KC6YC/KX6, Oct. 29-Nov. 1; Issue 58
CQ WW Phone	Contest, Oct. 25-26; log and summary sheet enclosed this issue
W. Samoa 5W1	By PAØGMM starts Nov. 5; this issue
Fijis 3D2	By PAØGMM starts Nov. 6 (through 11th); this issue
Fernando de Noron ha	Nov. 2-7; Issue 53
Tonga	A35 by PAØGMM Nov. 12-16; this issue
Tonga	Starts Nov. 25 by DL1VU and OE6BVG; Issue 58
Am. Samoa KH8	By PAØGMM Nov. 17- 20; this issue
Wallis	FW8 by DL1VU and OE6BVG starts Dec. 15; Issue 58
Abu Ail	First of December; Issue 53
Heard	January, 1981, by P29JS and others; Issue 56. Donations needed.
CQ Contest	See Issue 59 for a list and add Leichtenstein HBØBOE by DJ9ZB.

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